

From: Ronald Soares
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3 25 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

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Sincerely,
Ronald J. Soares
Plymouth, Ma, 02360-3525

From: Eldon P. Lietz
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3:26 PM
Subject: Re: Broadcast Ownership Rules

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Sincerely,
Eldon P. Lietz
Shirlee H. Lietz
1316 Oakhurst Drive
Southlake TX 76092-9229

From: Russ Newsom
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3:36 PM
Subject: monopoly

Given that long tradition in America has it that the airwaves are public property, (consider the alternative), as big a supporter as I am of private property and the rights guaranteed to such holders of such property still considers our government to have the right, of the public, to guide the users of the publicly owned airwaves, that is, corporations and businesses, which have been temporarily allowed to use the airwaves in a just spirit of *lassaiz faire*, in directions the public, when influenced by motives derived from the same American principles of fairness, find to be just and reasonable. Please take steps to prevent the monopolization of media ownerships in certain geographical areas, as well as of course in the United States of America as a whole. We have the right to do so, derived from the public ownership of the airwaves, and a huge amount of good reasons to thus exercise that right in promoting the American free-marketplace of IDEAS that keeps our country advanced, competitive, strong, enlightened, and wise.

From: Warren Davis
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3:38 PM
Subject: Broadcast ownership rules

Dear
Ms Abernathy
Mr. Adelstein
Mr Copps
Mr Martin
Mr Powell

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Sincerely,
F.W. Davis
Lusby, MD 20657
1warrendavis@comcast.net

From: iamaum@myself.com
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3:40 PM
Subject: No Deregulation of Television Ownership

Commissioners deregulation of radio ownership has failed us, please do not make a larger mistake and deregulate television.

Thank you,

Cory R. Pallanck
U S Citizen

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From: K. M. Kirk
To: KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3:40 PM
Subject: Proposed changes to Broadcast Ownership Rules

I am writing you to urge you NOT to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies!

When there are monopolies in the area of communications, this allows those monopolies to filter and keep opposing views from reaching the public. This allows media bias complete control of the news. Competition is always desirable, and the ability for big money to control the news media is uncontrollable.

Please support the rights of the people to hear from many news sources by supporting the existing Broadcast Ownership Rules and voting to NOT CHANGE THEM.

Yours sincerely

K. M. Kirk, P.E.
1400 Country Lane
Allen, Texas 75002

From: Steven Orris
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3:50 PM
Subject: Broadcast ownership rules

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Sincerely,
Steven Orris
4200 Hattrick Road
Rootstown, OH 44272-9707

From: Oziel Jeffries
To: Commissioner Adelstein, KM KJMWEB, Michael Copps, Kathleen Abernathy, Mike Powell
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3:51 PM
Subject: Broadcast ownership

The Honorable Commission of FCC

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Sincerely,
Oziel L. Jeffries Sr.

oljeffries@638online.com

From: Scott Rogers
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3:52 PM
Subject: Opposition to relaxing broadcast ownership rules

Dear Commissioner Adelstein:

I strongly oppose the relaxing of the broadcast ownership rules. These proposed rule changes would make it possible for giant media conglomerates to gain total control of radio and television news information. I would hate to have people such as Rupert Murdoch deciding what I hear.

I urge you not support the relaxing of the ownership rules.

Thank You

Sincerely

Scott Rogers

13018 West Jadestone Drive

Sun City West, AZ 85375

From: Arlen D. Besel
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3 52 PM
Subject: Relaxation of Broadcast Ownership Rules. .

Dear Mr. Adelstein,

I was informed that you are interested in public response to a plan to relax the broadcast ownership rules which would permit further consolidation of broadcasting companies. I want to oppose this and urge that you NOT relax the ownership rules

In recent years the news publishing media has had one buyout and consolidation after another to the point that we have only a few companies that control most of the newspapers in the US. Except for a few small local papers there are simply no competing media outlets. Already there are very few broadcast media companies and of course only three or four wire services

I have personally seen what the big conglomerates have done to printed news distribution and would not wish to have the broadcast media follow in that pattern.

A free people require an aggressive news source that is enhanced by competing views via competing news sources. Please do not reduce this vital service to the American people.

Thank you. Mr. Arlen D. Besel
3 Lisa Court
Elkton, MD 21921

From: Marjuncox@cs.com
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3:53 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

Honorable Commissioner
Federal Communication Commission

I wish to take this opportunity to urge you NOT to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies. The American people deserve to hear more than one point of view on important issues

I feel that you hold two important elements of my life in your hands:
DEMOCRACY and FREEDOM.

Again, I urge you to continue the broadcast ownership protection that, for decades, have helped to ensure a healthy political debate in our country.

Sincerely,
Marcus B. Cox
NRA Lifetime Member

From: nobody@www.fcc.gov
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 10 10 AM
Subject: <No Subject>

Ma () writes:

This is a copy of email sent to M. Powell. It is my understanding that the purpose of the FCC is to represent the public interests' and enforce the regulations that protect the people's airwaves. Relaxing regulations clearly benefits about five mega-corporations--not the people. We want local news. We want diversity of opinion. Ask us. Freedom of the press is too important to our democracy for you to even consider selling off our protections to the highest, richest bidders. If you can't do your job, please step down.

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From: Rose Traynor
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 10:12 AM
Subject: Dear Commissioner Adelstein

Almost by accident, Ive found out about proposed FCC rule changes calling for sweeping deregulation of media. I feel like Ive just woke up! A seismic shift has occurred right under my nose and I never even knew it was happening. Wheres the news coverage on this?

The arguments are complex, but from what I understand, the changes youre considering would allow media companies to own more, and as many types of media (radio, TV, cable, newspapers, etc), even if it leads to almost total control over a given market. I think this is a very dangerous and bad idea. If what youre proposing for all media is whats already been done to radio, then just like with radiodiversity of opinion, local involvement, will be severely eroded.

I used to listen to two local radio stations, WBCN and WFNX. They were diverse, vibrant, progressive, and very important to me. I stopped listening to them, but never gave much thought as to why they lost me as a listener, until now. Well, I revisited them this morning after about a five-year hiatus, and guess what I found on my once-beloved Boston radio? At 8:30 in the morning on WBCN was the Howard Stern Show from NYC. At 8:31 in the morning on WFNX was the Howard Stern Show from NYC.

Its bad enough that hes from NY and doesnt speak from the vantage point of Boston; but the true insult is that its garbage, complete and utter garbage. And FNX and BCN, once so unique, are almost identical in their format and content. Actually I should say lack of content.

Please put the breaks on. Take a hard look at whats happened to radio before you do the same thing to other media.

Thank you for your time

Yours truly,

Rose Traynor
47 Longwood Rd #3
Quincy, MA 02169

From: Ron Allen
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 10 16 AM
Subject: Protect the good

Dear Mr. Adelstein,

Please do not compromise broadcast ownership rules. At present it is so refreshing to hear news with the spin removed. Many Americans have become sickened by the big media stranglehold on stories distorted, or skewed view, and news sat on. Remember how different the reporting of the war with Iraq was by anchors at a desk at home, and the embedded reporters on the field giving the facts as they happened. We are in a medium sized city, with a single daily newspaper (a de facto monopoly) It has a shrinking circulation as the public reacts to the bias, and opinion propaganda printed as news. Thankfully there is a crack in the news blockade by talk radio, Internet, and a weekly newspaper that has objective reporting, and is not owned by the conglomerate. Please keep the broadcast ownership rules in place.

Sincerely,
Ron Allen

From: Rodney Hawk
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, Commissioner Adelstein, KM
KJMWEB
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 10 16 AM
Subject: FCC Regulations

ATTN Your Honorable, Michael Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, Kevin Martin,
Jonathan Adelstein

This message is in response to the possiblity of the FCC relaxing the regulations of the broadcast ownership rules that prevent media monopolies. Please consider what would happen if it were changed, we would only hear what certain corporations want us to hear. We would lose the freedom of the air, that a lot of our sons have died for (freedom). We would only hear one side of the story of a major event, this not fair, as we all deserve to hear and see stories from both sides of the fence. Please for the sake of all our children, and the their future, and the freedom of this great country. Please DO NOT vote to change the regulations.

Thank You Rodney Hawk

From: araknis8
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 1:32 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

Dear Mr. Adelstein,

I urge you NOT to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies

These proposed changes would pave the way for giant media conglomerates to gain near-total control of radio and television news and information in communities across our nation. Many of the corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership rules already have a known track record in attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air. The American people deserve to hear more than one point of view on important issues. Therefore, for the sake of our democracy and our freedom, I urge you to continue the broadcast ownership protections that, for decades, have helped to ensure a healthy political debate in our country.

GOD BLESS YOU AND AMERICA!

Sincerely,
Matthew A. Booth
New Martinsville, West Virginia 26155

From: Stanley & Coleen Derickson II
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3 27 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

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Sincerely,

Stanley L. Derickson II

Thornton, Co 80229

From: Mike Turay
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein, senator@wyden.senate.gov, write.earl@mail.house.gov
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3:36 PM
Subject: FCC Legislation

Dear Sir/Madam:

While troops are overseas defending our democracy, its has come under a stealth attack here at home. In June 2003, the FCC plans to end critical safeguards designed to prevent monopoly ownership of media outlets. Under these FCC plans, one company in a community will be able to own the newspaper, several TV and radio stations, the cable system, and the principal Internet access company. Already six companies own the vast majority of media outlets, and they have chosen not to inform the public about this important issue. The FCC's plans will lead to even more media consolidation, reducing competition, and thus increasing prices and decreasing the quality and diversity of information available to the public. True democracy and freedom of speech cannot exist in a place where a few powerful players control all access to information.

By virtue of your position, you have a responsibility to protect the rights of the public as guaranteed by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. I urge you to use your influence to end this attack on democracy, and to ensure that the public is given the opportunity to speak out on this issue.

Sincerely,

Mike Turay
1849 NE Schuyler St
Portland, OR 97212

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~Katherine Graham

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From: JD Williams
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3:48 PM
Subject: new rules

Dear Honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein

If you let broadcast ownership rules take place every American citizen would lose their constitutional rights we would only hear the news they waited us to hear and if they didn't like what we have to say then nobody would hear it. As it is now everybody has freedom of speech and I sure don't want to lose my rights to some big heartless corporations that don't care about freedom of speech or our rights as Americans

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From: John Fogle
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3:56 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership

The Honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein jadelste@fcc.gov

Commissioner FCC

Washington, DC 20544

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Sincerely

Mr. John R. Fogle, Jr.

Sweetwater, Texas 79556-1923

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From: tinman
To: Mike Powell, kabernat@fcc.org, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 3:57 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

The Honorable FCC Persons

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The American people deserve too hear more than one point of view on important issues. THEREFORE, for the sake of our DEMOCRACY and our FREEDOM, I urge you to continue the broadcast ownership protections that, for decades, have helped to ensure a healthy political debate in our COUNTRY !!!

Sincerely,

Thomas H. Inman

Whitefish, MT. 59937-8130

From: Harold Hinman
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 4:08 PM
Subject: DO NOT relax broadcast ownership rules

It is my opinion that relaxing the broadcast ownership rules would limit the range of debate on many issues by allowing large corporations to submit only the views that suit them. Various views and independent debate are necessary to good government in our country. Please DO NOT relax the broadcast ownership rules. Thank you,

Sincerely,
Harold G. Hinman
P O Box 370
Choteau, MT 59422

From: Milo & Evelyn Hanson
To: Commissioner Adelstein, Kathleen Abernathy, mcopp@fcc.gov, Mike Powell, KM
KJMWEB
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 5:07 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

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Sincerely,

Milo C. Hanson
Box 103
Dawson, MN 56232-0103
mehanson@mailstation.com

From: khafer
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 5:26 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

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Sincerely,

Mr. Keith Hafer
Bay City, Michigan 48706-9429

From: GEOGEOCRO@aol.com
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 5:58 PM
Subject: (no subject)

Your Honor, I urge you NOT to change or relax the broadcast ownership rules. We don't need any larger media monopolies as there is too much censorship of the news at the present time. The rules were put in for a reason and I think that reason is more important now than when the rules were made. Thank you for your consideration.

George Crouter, Aurora Colorado

From: Naten8man@aol.com
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 7:40 PM
Subject: Me no like it!

Please do not deliver the control of the American Media into the hands of the few. Thanks, Lyla Bartholomae

From: Jerry Gann
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 9:24 PM
Subject: Fcc rule changes

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you because of my concern about proposed FCC rule changes involving broadcast ownership rules. Any rule change which would allow a monopoly by media conglomerates to control the airwaves is a danger to our freedom of speech. This will restrict opposing points of view from being heard. A monopoly by anyone will limit the knowledge we all need to make decisions about differing political viewpoints.

Sincerely,

Jerry W. Gann

From: Dawn Bryan
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 4:37 PM
Subject: Broadcast Ownership Rules

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Sincerely,
Ronald Bryan
Cambridge, Maryland 21613

From: Clyve Pope
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, May 7, 2003 4:37 PM
Subject: Broadcast ownership

I urge you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules for the following reasons:
If the rules are adopted, independant voices in towns accross America could be shut out by large media corporations.
Whole communities, states and regions could be dominated by one media co which could then decide which viewpoints will be allowed on the air.
Many of the big corp. that are fighting for these rule changes are the same companies that have, in the past, tried to keep viewpoints they do not agree with off the air
The American people deserve to hear more than one point of view. I therefore, urge you to continue the same protection that has served us well for decades
Sincerely:

Mr. & Mrs. Clyve Pope
Cherokee Kansas 66724-0094
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